

"MERCHANTS" MASKED BALL DRAWS CROWD

Numerous and decidedly varied were the costumes worn by dancers at Patrick's hall last Tuesday evening, when a masquerade ball was given under the auspices of the local lodge of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen. Besides those who were masked there were many who came to dance after the grand march, and many who were only spectators

and who came to see the clever and attractive costumes and to watch their wearers as they danced to the strains of music by Besse's band orchestra. At 10 o'clock judging of costumes began. Two silver cups had been purchased and ordered suitably engraved by the arrangement committee. Those representing local business houses whose managers or proprietors had entered the competition for the merchants' cup, took places in a line on one side of the hall, while those competing for the individual's cup were stationed in a line on the opposite side. Three disinterested judges, selected during the evening, examined the various costumes and agreed on the winners. The costume which in the opinion of the judges ranked first among those entered by merchants, and entitled to the cup, was that made of cigarette flags and cigar bands and worn by L. T. Rickerson, 718 East Polk street, representing the Baswitz

Cigar company. Honorable mention was awarded the pennant costume entered by Cal Messner and worn by Mrs. Frank Hegman, 507 East Polk street. In the individual or character contest the silver cup was awarded Miss Dorothea Tremper, 440 West Washington street, who was attired in a harem costume. Honorable mention in this class was given Miss Williams, 508 North Fourth street, who masked as an Easter boy. After the grand march the merry-makers enjoyed a program of fourteen dances, which ended at 12:30. Due perhaps to the military situation, with its inroads on the younger population of the community and the damper which it has placed on the enthusiasm and ardor which before the war characterized all forms of amusement, the attendance last Tuesday night was not so large as that of the first annual masquerade ball given by the same lodge a year ago. Nevertheless the affair was

FOOD RESOURCES FROM THE ARCTIC

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The actual amount of meat, fish, fat, oil and leather that could be brought in fully as successful socially, and the net receipts were a source of gratification to those in charge. Those to whom had been committed the task of making preparations for the masquerade were: Floor committee, Ed. J. Doherty, Clyde L. Timberlake, John M. Tomusko. Costume committee, Mrs. M. E. Sheren, Mrs. Maude Coleman, Mrs. Emma Warden, Mrs. J. M. Tomusko, Miss Edna Bogue. Reception, Harry Crandall, R. Guy Davison, H. A. Davis, W. H. Flannery, Ed. A. Olson. Refreshments, C. L. Allee, W. C. Gilliam. Floor manager, Clyde L. Timberlake, to utilize the labor energy of other Es-

by the Eskimos is enormous. By utilizing only the seven tribes I visited on my last exploring expedition we could have the following quantities:
Foodstuffs—Pounds
Caribou meat 3,000,000
Caribou fat 300,000
Walrus meat 2,000,000
Baluga, or white whale, meat 12,000,000
Salmon 1,500,000
Total 26,100,000
Oil and leather—Pounds
Walrus, baluga and seal oil 13,800,000
Leather, walrus 3,000,000
Leather, whale 4,000,000
Skins, seal 150,000
Walrus and narwhal ivory 40,000
Total 29,950,000
Besides the financial value of such an enterprise, the important fact at present is that the amount of foodstuffs taken in would furnish meat enough to feed seventy thousand men for a whole year. But, supposing that a company were to utilize the labor energy of other Es-

kimo tribes not mentioned here, and other animal fields as well, then the amount of foodstuffs and other material could be tripled. A whole line of trading posts could be erected all the way from Hudson's Bay to North Greenland, and the hunting field of the Arctic islands between, Canada and Greenland could be exploited. Here the big Greenland whale, which furnishes an enormous quantity of meat and oil, can still be caught. A very important factor is the drying of this food, if one considers the methods of facilitating shipping and transportation, which is the most important problem of warfare now. It must be remembered that one pound of dry meat is equal to five pounds of raw meat, so that one needs only one-fifth of the usual tonnage for shipping. The Central Powers have used pemican for their armies from the very beginning of the war while many of the allies are only just now beginning to use concentrated food. Objection might be made to all this food that a white man, being unused to

it, would find it distasteful. This certainly cannot be said about the Arctic caribou, which is acknowledged by all who have ever eaten it to be the best and most tender of all venison. The meat of the walrus and the whale makes excellent eating when correctly prepared. I myself have, during my life among the Eskimos, often lived principally on walrus and whale meat for months at a time, and found it very good. In fact, it tastes much like our beef, and it would be very difficult to tell the difference without knowing beforehand the kind of meat one is eating. It is our duty to organize the ready, vast resources of the north and to accept the traditional methods of the Eskimos and Indians in preparing this food and thus materially increase our supplies of meats and fats. A soldier must have these, above all. The resources of the north have not only not been depleted, they have not been even touched.

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To press our faces to the healing grass
And there sob out the weariness of towns,
And lose our souls in the tangles of green shade.
—Burke.

Few of us appreciate the wonderful works of nature, with its ennobling and uplifting influences. The excitement of business and pleasure has dulled our sensibilities to the grandeur of the fields and gardens.

This leads me to ask where are the old fashioned gardens?—a riot of colors—where the flaming hollyhock, proud and defiant, lorded it over the dainty dandelion and demure violet—where the petunias and pansies dwelt in harmony together—buttercups of Oriental hue mingled contentedly with the variegated sweet pea—sombre

crepe myrtles guarded the fence corners, while the sweet odored honeysuckle climbed the house sides, and stately oaks or maples stood like sentinels at the four corners sheltering the song birds and nimble squirrels. Calling to mind a verse fitting these thoughts:

"The kiss of the sun for pardon,
The song of the birds for mirth,
One is nearer God's heart in a garden,
Than anywhere else on earth."

methinks I can answer my question—where are the gardens? They were part of our homes—for homes and beautiful gardens are one and the same. Then we must have more homes to make our city attractive. No one feels like improving and beautifying a rented house, but an owner with justifiable pride beautifies and makes attractive the surroundings of his home. More homes in Phoenix—more gardens, more song birds, and we will lose our souls in the tangles of shade to regain them in the brilliancy of the flowers and the cheerfulness of the songsters.

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